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AT THE EVENING TELEGRAPH BUILDING,

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1867.

All Hail, Tennessee!

THE Union men of Tennessee have at last risen to the full altitude of the occasion, and have placed themselves upon a vantage ground from which they can never be dislodged. They have adopted the doctrine of universal mankood suffrage, save for the disqualification of orime. The movement is as wise as it is bold. It at once places the political power of that State in the hands of the loyal men who constitute an undisputed majority of her citizens. Hitherto the loyal men have brought only a part of their forces into the field, and the battle has been a sore one. Now the loyal masses stand in solid phalanx, and will achieve an enduring victory.

In opening the ballot-box to her colored citizens, Tennessee is but restoring to them the exercise of a right which they once, and for a long time, enjoyed unchallenged. What seems like a vast stride in advance is but a return to the earlier and purer doctrines of the republic. It is but a going back to what was law in Tennessee from 1796 to 1835-a healthy reaction from that iniquitous policy of disfranchisement inaugurated by the slave power. For forty years, in the early history of Tennessee, her colored citizens exercised the right of the elective franchise. The slave power then deprived them of it for more than thirty years. And now, with the downfall of the slave power, comes the restoration of their long-lost rights.

The policy adopted by the Union men of Tennessee is the true one for every Southern State. The loyal people are a majority of the whole Southern population. Let the colored patriots be allowed to vote in defense of the same Government for which they fought, and the future is safe. The permanent disfranchisement of all who participated in the Rebellion is hardly practicable, if desirable. Enfranchisement is our true policy. Disfranchisement weakens the great basis upon which popular government rests; enfranchisement strengthens it. Once and forever strike down those aristocratical distinctions and disfranchisements which were the necessary concomi tants of the slave power-reorganize the South upon a real democratic basis, putting the power into the hands of the people, and the mightiest political problem of our times will have been peacefully and happily solved.

The Proposed Change in our Common School System.

MR. JAMES N. MARKS moved in the State Legislature yesterday, a bill which provides for changing the mode of selecting the members of the Board of School Controllers, and makes these officers appointive by the Court of Common Pleas and the District Court, instead of being selected by the people. We do not know what are the minor provisions of the proposed law, but the central idea of having those who have charge of our whole educational system appointed, instead of chosen on political grounds, is one which meets our hearty concurrence. In a republic there is no department of Government on which the safety of the country rests so entirely, as it does on that which provides for the education of the children. Those men who are destined hereafter to make the laws of America, to chose her officers, and act as the electors of a great people, are today within the control of the Commonwealth. The minds which, if once inoculated with bigotry and ignorance, cannot be moved, are now plastic, and can be moulded at the will of the teacher. Now is the chance for the republic to make faithful servants and efficient citizens. Who can doubt but that the late war was due entirely to the education of the Southern children in the lessons of slavery and secession? It is, therefore, of the most vital importance that the school system be kept pure and free from the contamination of party politics. This is impossible so long as those who have the direction are elected on party tickets, and on grounds of devotion to party principles, and not intellectual qualifications. We do not mean to reflect on any gentlemen who now constitute or have heretofore constituted the Board of School Controllers. We only wonder that so much intelligence has been secured under so defective a system. We oppose the whole fabric of the Board as it now stands, and favor the proposed reform of Mr. Marks. The bill may not immediately passit probably will not-but ultimately it will succeed. We can see no good reason why the Board of Controllers should not appointed by the Courts, when the Board of Guardians and all similar bodies are. Every argument in favor of the Guardians being so selected is applicable in the case of the Controllers; and in addition, the powerful reason that the power of the latter is a thousand times greater than that of the former. The position of Controller is one given to party favorites who are not of sufficient consequence to merit a lucrative office. In Boston, such a plan has long been in vogue, and the Controllers there are the first men of the city. Edward Everett, and many others of like force of character and fame, held the office when in the plentitude of their influence. The reform is needed, and we hope will speedily receive the attention of the Legislature. All the good members of the

Board would be retained by the Judges, while

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We can see no evil which will result from the change, and cannot but anticipate much good.

The Pennsylvania Railroad.

We publish this afternoon the twentieth annual report of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, showing the operations of the main lines and all its branches and canals during the year 1866. The prosperity which has attended the work during this period is a matter of congratulation, not only to the stockholders and others who are directly interested, but to the people of the State at large as well. The report establishes the gratifying fact that its present strong position from a financial point ofview is owing in great measure to the policy adopted by it of promoting the development of the interior of the State by assisting in the completion and extension of other railroads, whose capital was not sufficiently large to enable them to make the necessary investments. The assistance afforded other roads, however, has not been restricted to those within the State; but by the hearty concurrence of the stockholders, it has been freely tendered to the connecting lines to the westward, and the results have more than justified the risks thereby incurred, by concentrating at the western terminus of the road an immense amount of traffic which would otherwise have been diverted elsewhere. In all these operations, the policy originally adopted by the Company of limiting its indebtedness to the capital stock has been invariably pursued.

The endorsement of the bonds of other roads has been restricted to \$5,000,000 of the first mortgages of the Philadelphia and Erie road, which the Company has leased for 999 years; and to \$800,000 of the Western Pennsylvania, and \$1,000,000 of the Connecting Railroad companies, in both of which the Pennsylvania Company is the owner of nearly the whole of the capital stock.

The gross earnings of the road during the year have amounted to \$16,583,883; the ordinary expenses being \$10,615,362, and the extraordinary expenses \$2,174,547. The total expenses were, therefore, \$12,790,909, leaving a clear balance of \$3,792,974. The gross revenue for the year was \$875,287 less than during the previous year; but of this amount 8717,899 was caused by the decrease in the receipts from transportation of troops on Govment account. During 1865, the number of passengers carried was 3,861,836, which decreased to 2,673,568 for 1866. But the freight transported during 1866 amounted to 3,452,718 tons, an increase on the previous year of 653,-908 tons, or nearly 25 per cent.

The report dwells at some length upon the experiments which have been made with steel rails as a substitute for those of the ordinary description. The management is satisfied from these experiments that the Bessemer steel rails are eight times durable as the best of iron rails, while the cost of the former is but twice that of the latter, and can certainly be reduced when further experience enables us to produce them at home.

Congressional Blackguards.

THE term of the present Congress expires at noon on the 4th of March, and to prevent the President from "pocketing" any of the measures now before either House-many of them of vital interest to the country-their passage through both branches must be effected before to-morrow evening. Notwithstanding all this, on Saturday evening last, the Hon. Ebenezer Dumont, of Indiana, thought it becoming to edify the House of Representatives with a discourse based on the following newspaper paragraph as a text:-

"An old hotel-keeper in Washington once posted on his dining-room door the following notice—"Members of Congress will go to the table first, and then the gentlemen. Rowdies and blackguards must not mix with the Congressmen, as it is hard to tell one from the

And, determined to follow up his text to the very letter, he fortified his denunciations of the Supreme Court by relating several anecdotes, all of which went to show that a man may sit upon the bench and at the same time be an ignoramus and an ass. Among these anecdotes was one concerning a certain Justice of the Peace-in Indiana, we imagine-who went to the Clerk of the Court, and, having filed his official bond, requested that functionary to qualify him; whereupon the gentlemanly Clerk responded as follows :--" Hold up your hand and I'll swear you; all hell couldn't qualify you !" And, as if it were not enough for members of the House of Representatives to indulge in the use of such words as we have italicised, on Sunday morning Senator Doolittle, of Wisconsin, whose bitter partisanship heretofore has not been altogether devoid of dignity, declared that the title of the pending Louisiana bill should be so amended as to read, "An act to organize hell in Louisiana."

The Congressional reporters inform us that Mr. Dumont's humorous little anecdote created general laughter, and that Senator Doolittle's profanity was greeted by "applause in the galleries, mingled with hisses," The spectators who expressed their disapproval on this occasion would be entitled to considerable credit, although they were guilty of violating a rule of the Senate, if they could convince us that they hissed the language of the Senator, and not his sentiments alone.

Now if anything is needed to convince the world that the old Washington hotel-keeper was a man of quick perceptions and clear judgment, although he confessed his inability to distinguish a blackguard from a Congressman, it is the use by the latter of just such language as fell from the lips of Senator Doolittle and Representative Dumont. In any ordinarily respectable community, a man who was addicted to the use of such language would be shunned by the better class. And when the members of the national legislature, in the those who are incompetent would have their course of a debate upon the most serious mea-

places filled by men of talent and high probity. , sures that have ever been considered by that or any other law-making body, give utterance to such language, we consider a vote of censure the mildest rebuke that would befit their case. Although members of Congress have been so rebuked for giving the lie to each other, and although an incipient temperance society has been organized among them, it does not appear that any one considered the bandying of such words as deserving of any notice whatever. Still, we have good cause to be thankful that pistols have gone out of fashion for a time.

> The Bill for the Government of the Rebel States.

THE Military Reconstruction bill, as amended by the Senate, came up in the House yesterday, when Mr. Stevens moved to non-concur in the Senate's amendments, and to ask for a committee of conference, Mr. Spalding moved, as an amendment to Mr. Stevens' motion, that the House concur in the Senate's amendments. A long debate followed, participated in by a large number of the members, and revealing apparently a pretty close division of sentiment in regard to the bill. Finally, by general consent, it was agreed that the bill should be debated until 11 o'clock A. M. to-day, when the vote should be taken.

The House, upon taking up the bill this morning, refused, by a decisive majority, to oncur in the Senate's amendments, and equested a committee of conference. This is virtually a defeat of the entire measure for the present session. However, as the Fortieth Congress assembles on the 4th of March, when the whole subject can be considered at greater length and with more care, we are not inclined to mourn over its temporary defeat.

There is still time for the Senate to take up and pass Mr. Eliot's Louisiana bill, which has passed the House.

NAVAL OFFICER.-The President has nominated for Naval Officer of this port Mr. Sydenham E. Ancona, for many years a member of Congress from Berks county, and a life-long Democrat of the most outspoken character. We hear nothing against Mr. Ancona's character-which is a refreshing variation from the generality of nominees-and as it is the policy of the Senate to confirm Democrats, but reject renegade Republicans, it is probable that he will secure a confirmation.

MR. GREELEY AND THE POSTMASTER-GENERALsur.—It is rumored that the President is about to offer, or has offered, the position of Postmaster-General to Horace Greeley. We think the country would very generally sanction such an appointment, both in deference to the acknowledged ability of Mr. Greeley himself, and as an indication on the part of the Administration of a return to political principles more in harmony with the sentiments of

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WILLIAM S. STOKLEY, President.
JOHN L. HILL, Secretary.
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OFFICE OF TREMONT COAL COM-CHANGE, PHILADELPHIA, February 11, 1867,

PHILADELPHIA, February II, 1867.

NOTICE.

The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Tremont Coal Company will be held at No. 16 Philadelphia Exchange, in the city of Philadelphia, on TUES-DAY, the twenty-sixth day of February, at 12 octock M., at which time and place the Annual Election for President and Directors, to serve the ensuing year, will be held.

211 121 GEORGE H. COLKET, Secretary.



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Section 6. That from and after the passage of this act, all the bonds of this Commonwealth shall be paid off in the order of their maturity. Section 7. That all loans of this Common-wealth, not yet due, shall be exempt from State, municipal, or local taxation, after the interest due February 1st, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, shall have been Section 8. That all existing laws, or portions thereof, inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed.

JOHN P. GLASS, Speaker of the House of Representatives, L. W. HALL, Speaker of the Senate, Approved the second day of February, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, JOHN W. GEARY,

In accordance with the provisions of the above act of Assembly, sealed proposals will be received at the Office of the State Treasurer in the city of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, until 12 o'clock M., of the 1st day of April, A. B., 1837, to be endorsed as follows:—"Proposals for Pennsylvania State Loan," Treasury Department, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, United States of America.

Bids will be received for \$5,000,000, reimbursable in five years and payable in ten years; \$8,000,000, reimbursable in ten years, and payable \$8,000,000, reimbursable in ten years, and payable in fifteen years; and \$10,000,000, reimbursable in fifteen years and payable in twenty-five years. The rate of interest to be either five or six per cent. per annum, which must be explicitly cent. per annum, which must be explicitly stated in the bid, and the bids most advantageous to the State will be accepted. No bid for less than par will be considered. The bonds will be issued in sums of \$50, and such nigher sums as desired by the loaners, to be free from State local and municipal taxes. State, local, and municipal taxes.

The overdue bonds of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania will be received at par in payment of this loan, but bidders must state whether they intend to pay in cash or in the overdue loans aforesaid.

No distinction will be made between bidders may in each or overdue loans.

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